



St. Wilfrid's CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Happy new year to all families.

It has been great to see the children settle quickly back into school after the Christmas break. Whilst bubbles remain in place for the time being, the atmosphere within classes has been exceptional, with lots of outstanding work having already taken place. We ended the first week of term with our **Golden Box assembly** – held remotely. Well done to the children chosen by teachers to have their efforts recognised at this early time in the year.

Deputy Head Teacher

Mrs Sisson has settled in quickly having taken up her role as Deputy Head this week – she has enjoyed getting to know children and parents in her class and across St Wilfrid's. **Mrs Wood**, who had been Deputy at St Wilfrid's for many years is now teaching year 5 full time. I would like to place on record my thanks for her outstanding contribution towards the leadership of our school over this period – she certainly helped me settle in quickly when I took up post in September and I know Mr Bullock valued her support and contribution enormously. We are fortunate she will still be contributing significantly in her slightly different role.



Welcome to Mrs Colella

Mrs Colella enjoyed a baptism of fire on her first day in the school office this week, with Mrs Porter having had a positive covid test result early Tuesday morning. I am pleased to say she coped admirably, and I would like to welcome her to St Wilfrid's.

Local Offer

The Local Authority have a website that provides details of services and support available for people aged 0-25 who have special educational needs. Their website can be found by clicking this link:

<https://www.nottshelpyourself.org.uk/kb5/nottinghamshire/directory/localoffer.page?newdirectorychannel=9>

Searching 'Notts SEND Local Offer' will also take you to their webpage. There is also a video available which provides an overview of services available – clicking this link will lead to this:

https://youtu.be/W90qvdBgl_U

Covid update

You will have seen that the daily figures for Nottingham and the UK have risen over the last few weeks and that the guidance around isolation has changed a little (see below). We will continue with our cleaning and sanitising routines here at school, and will keep bubbles operational for the time being. Remember that if your child has any symptoms relating to Coronavirus (high temperature, continuous cough, lack of sense of taste/smell), then **you need to keep them off school and book a PCR**. Experience has shown us that what might seem like a

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common cold can in fact be symptoms of COVID too. If in doubt, book a test and keep your child at home. In any of these instances, inform the office by a phone call, or email.

The Government have stated that if someone in your family or a close contact tests positive for Coronavirus, then your child can still attend school provided they follow the guidance below.

'Anyone aged 5 years and over, who has been identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 and who is not legally required to self-isolate, is now strongly advised to take a rapid lateral flow device (LFD) test every day for 7 days or until 10 days since their last contact with the person who tested positive for COVID-19 if this is earlier. If any of these LFD tests are positive they should self-isolate in order to protect other people.'

Forthcoming dates

Dates	Event
9 th and 10 th February	Ilam visit
10 th February	Last day of half term
11 th February	INSET day – school closed
21 st February	School reopens after half term

Have a good weekend.

Mark North

Head Teacher

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